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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	NO. 23-cr-00221 WHO
)	
Plaintiff,)	DECLARATION OF DAVID J. WARD IN
)	SUPPORT OF THE GOVERNMENT'S STATUS
v.)	REPORT IN RE; Z&L CORPORATE
)	COMPLIANCE PROGRAM
Z&L PROPERTIES, INC.,)	
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Defendant.)	
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I, David Ward, declare and state as follows:

I am an Assistant United States Attorney for the Northern District of California assigned to the prosecution of the above-captioned case.

- Attached as **Exhibit A** is a true and correct copy of *Z&L Properties, Inc. Annual Compliance Program Progress Report*, submitted to the government on August 16, 2024.
- On September 5, 2024, I held a video conference call with Hartley West and Emily Reitmeier Haffner, counsel for defendant Z&L Properties, to review and discuss Z&L's Annual Compliance Program Progress Report.

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- 2 3. Attached as **Exhibit B** is a true and correct copy of a Sept. 16, 2024 letter from Z&L counsel
- 3 providing supplementary information and documentation regarding Z&L's Annual
- 4 Compliance Program Progress Report.
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6 Executed this 14th day of October, 2024, in San Francisco, California.

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9 /s/ David Ward

10 DAVID WARD

11 Assistant United States Attorney

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